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Cromwell Advertisements

DAVID A. JOLLY & CO.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

FAMILY GROCERS

WINE, SPIRIT, AND GENERAL MERCHANTS.

We desire to intimate that in order to meet the growing exigencies of our business, we have lately built substantial stone additions to our former premises.

At the urgent request of our numerous customers, we have added to our other branches of business, that of

DRAPERY, CROCKERY, & IRONMONGERY.

We would further notify that, having engaged a Buyer in connection with our business to select special lines consigned from the Home and Melbourne markets, we will in future be in a position to offer such superior advantages to our customers as will not fail to ensure a continuance of their liberal patronage, and, more especially, will command the attention and confidence of the Trade, Runholders, and Large Buyers.

DAVID A. JOLLY & CO.

Our GROCERY STOCK comprises:

Teas, of excellent flavour, in chests, half-chests, and boxes
Coffees, from the pure bean, ground on the premises
Cocoa, Chocolate, of the best brands
Sugars: crystals of every shade, and crushed loaf
Bacon, Cheese, Butter: weekly supplies from the best dairies
Jams, Jellies, and Pickles

Candles: best brands
Soap: treble crown, blue mottled, household, scented in bars, cakes, and boxes
Vestas, by approved makers
Salt: table, fine, and coarse
Raisins: Muscatels, Sultanas, and Elemes
Oils: salad, castor, and kerosene
Sauces: Lea and Perrins, Mushroom, Nabob, and assorted

TOBACCOES.

Imperial, Aromatic, cable-twist—superior
Cameron's celebrated brands—Havelock, Golden Bar, Venus tens
Barrett's Twist, in quarter-tierces and boxes.

Water Lily, Over the Water, navy sixes
Cut Tobaccos, in pound, half-pound, and quarter-pound tins, and in bulk.

WINES AND SPIRITS.

Brandies: Hennessy's, Associated Vineyard, Martell's, in-bulk and case
Whiskies: Old Glenury, Islay, Longjohn's, in bulk and case
Rum: Lemon Hart's
Port: Fine old Offley's, six grape
Sherry: Gonzola, six diamond
Gin: JOKZ Geneva, Nectar, and Kummell
Old Tom: Burnett's, Bernard's
Claret: St. Julien's

Moselle: No. 2
Hock: Gold Leaf
Ginger Wine, in bulk and case
Ales: Tennent's, Younger's, and Colonial.
Porter: Blood's, Byass's, Guinness's, and Colonial
Cordials: assorted
Sarsaparilla: Singleton's, Townsend's
Bitters: Selner's, Stoughton's

IRONMONGERY STOCK consists of

Blasting powder and fuse
Gunpowder, caps, and shot
Long and short handled shovels
Spades, sluice forks
Picks and pickhandles
Gold dishes, hose-pipes
Drills and drilling hammers
Manilla and flax ropes
White lead, castor, boiled, and colza oils
Galvanised and corrugated iron
Stoves and piping

Billies and pannikins
Tea-kettles, iron and tin
Galvanised iron buckets and tubs
Iron boilers
Enamelled and tinned stew and saucepans
Axes and axe-handles
Nails, cut and wrought
Tacks, clout and American cut
Garden rakes, hoes, and spades
Cutlery, a large assortment
Carpenters' tools of every description.

CANVAS, SADDLERY, AND BRUSHWARE.

HOLT'S SEWING MACHINES: CABINET AND HAND.

DRAPERY AND CLOTHING DEPARTMENT.

Suits: silk-mixture, Galatea, Paget, sac
Boys' do.
Trousers and Vests: Mosgiel, silk-mixed, tweed, doeskin
Shirts: white dress, crimeans, Scotch twill, tweed
Pants and undershirts, in flannel, lamb's-wool, merino, and cotton
Hosiery and hats

Dress materials: wineceys, French merinos, all-wool plaids, prints
Flannels; Calicos, bleached and unbleached
Blankets, rugs, quilts
Table-covers, bed and toilet-covers.
Cocoa and felt matting
Hessian, bed-ticking, carpets
Top, waterproof, and tweed coats; etc., etc.

BOOTS & SHOES.

Boots: men's elastic-sides, watertights, halt-Wellingtons; Hayward and North British Gum Boot
Women's and children's Boots, Shoes, and Slippers, in calf, kid, and cashmere.

N.B.—All goods in this department are marked at low prices.

CROCKERYWARE.

Breakfast, dinner, and bedroom sets complete
Lamps: parlour, hanging, bracket

China, glass, and earthenware goods of every description

FILTERS, VASES, AND LUSTRES.

FANCY GOODS.

Electro-plated Britannia-metal tea and coffee pots; meerscham and briar pipes—a choice selection; patent medicines; stationery; perfumery.

COLONIAL PRODUCE: Wheat, Oats, Chaff, Pollard, and Potatoes.

D. A. J. & Co. have been appointed sole agents for the sale of Butel Bros.' superior silk-dressed flour, bran, and pollard; and are prepared to promptly execute all orders within a radius of fifty miles.—FLOUR GUARANTEED. TERMS LIBERAL.

W. TALBOYS'

NEW GROCERY QUOTATIONS.

New Season Tea, 1878-79 (Boxes of 12½), 23s
Cocoa (pound tins), 1s 6d
Muscatels, 1s 2d per lb
Jordan Almonds, 2s 3d per lb
Elemes, 7½d per lb
Lemon Peel, 1s 5d per lb
Two-crown Soap, 12s per box
Three-crown Soap, 14s per box
Cheese, 10d per lb
Hams, 10d per lb
Kerosene (Noonday), 12s per tin.

Fresh Herrings, 8d per tin.
Lobsters, 10½d per tin
Salmon, 10½d per tin
Sardines (half-pound tins), 11d
Sardines (quarter-pound tins), 7d
Oysters, 7d per tin
Tainsh's Jams, 11d per tin
Figs, 1s per box
Preserved Fruits, 2s.
Pickles, 1s per bottle
Candles 10½d per lb

ABOVE PRICES ARE STRICTLY CASH.

Men's Elastic Sides, Lace-ups and Watertights, Colonial Made, 14s 6d.

A large stock of Ladies' and Children's Kid Boots (Copper Toes), 4s 6d.

W. TALBOYS, LONDON HOUSE, CROMWELL.

Cromwell Advertisements

I. HALLENSTEIN & CO.,

In returning thanks to the Public of Cromwell and surrounding districts for past patronage, respectfully beg to inform them that, having been unsuccessful in disposing of our Cromwell branch, we have determined

TO CONTINUE BUSINESS,

And, with that view, have Replenished our Stock with a large and well-selected assortment of

DRAPERY, BOOTS, HOSIERY, FANCY GOODS,

CROCKERY, IRONMONGERY & GROCERIES,

Which we are now offering at prices far below former quotations. We would specially draw attention to our Stock of

MEN'S AND BOYS' CLOTHING,

BLANKETS, ETC.,

DIRECT FROM OUR OWN FACTORY, AS BEING OF VERY CHOICE VALUE.

AN EARLY INSPECTION SOLICITED.

AGENTS FOR

Robertson & Hallenstein's Silk-dressed Flour, Bran and Pollard.

A LARGE STOCK OF GRAIN AND PRODUCE ALWAYS ON HAND.

I. HALLENSTEIN & CO.

W. TALBOYS'

REDUCED PRICE LIST OF

SUMMER DRAPERY, CLOTHING, &c.

Good Prints, 6d, 8d and 10d
Satin Cloths, new shades, 1s 6d
French Merinos, 2s, 2s 6d and 3s
All Wool Plaids, 2s 11d
Fancy Dress, 10s 6d, 12s 6d and 15s
Black Silks, 60s; Colored, 50s (the Dress)
Black and Colored Lustres, 11d and 1s 3d
Costume Cloths, 11d, 1s 3d and 1s 6d
Horrocks' Calico, 5s 9d per doz
Unbleached Calico, 5s 9d per doz
Real Welsh Flannel, 1s 3d and 1s 6d
Colored Flannels in Twill and Plain
White Blankets, 13s 6d per pair
Colored Blankets, 14s—large stock
Sheeting, 72in, 1s 6d
Turkish Towels, 12s per doz
Tweeds, 3s 6d, 4s 6d and 5s 6d
Carpets and Matting, from 1s 4d

Men's, Youths' and Boys' Clothing in Colonial and English Tweeds and makes
Men's Suits, 37s 6d, 40s and 45s; Pagets, 50s
Trowsers and Vests, 17s 6d, 22s 6d and 25s
Trowsers, Tweed, 10s 6d, 12s 6d, and 15s
White and Colored Moles, three crown, 9s
Coats, splendid stock new goods, from 17s 6d
Brown Holland Coats, from 7s 6d
Knit Drawers, 5s 6d, 7s 6d and 8s 6d
Serge Drawers, 7s 6d: Cotton, 3s
Shirts, job lot, at 4s 6d; Crimean, 5s to 10s
Flannels, large sizes, 5s 6d, 6s 6d and 7s 6d
Boys' Knicker Suits, 10s 6d, 15s and 17s 6d
Youths' Suits, 25s, 30s, and 32s 6d.
Men's White Embroidered Shirts
Gent's Scarfs in great variety
Large stock Felt Hats, 4s, 5s and 6s 6d
Bed Rugs, large size, 12s 6d.

A Large and Varied Stock of New Goods in Ladies' and Children's Jackets, Trimmed and Untrimmed Hats, Gloves, Scarfs, Lace Sets, Hosiery, Ribbons and Trimmings.

Cromwell

Miscellaneous.

Cromwell

Insurance Companies.

V. R. N O T I C E.

The following are the days appointed for holding the Resident Magistrate's and Warden's Courts for the months of October, November and December, 1879, for the Dunstan division of the Otago Goldfields Districts:—

CLYDE—Every Thursday, excepting the Teviot Court week.

CROMWELL—Every Friday.

ALEXANDRA—Monday, October 20

November 3 and 17

Dec. 1, 15 and 29

[The District Court Office at Alexandra will be open on the above dates for the transaction of business.]

ROXBURGH—Tuesday, October 14

November 11

December 9

OPHIR—Tuesday, October 21

November 18

December 16

JACKSON KEDDELL,

Warden and R.M.

M R A. F. BLOOD, B.A.,
Has Commenced Practice as a
SOLICITOR AND CONVEYANCER

In the District, R.M. and Warden's Courts, Cromwell.

Mr Blood is prepared to visit Alexandra, Blacks, &c., when professionally required.

OFFICE:

NEXT DOOR TO THE BANK OF NEW ZEALAND.

HENRICH BEHRENS,
WHEELWRIGHT
AND COACH BUILDER,

MELMORE-STREET, CROMWELL

(Nearly opposite Bank of New South Wales),
Is prepared to execute all Orders entrusted to him with carefulness and despatch.

A Large Supply of Well-seasoned American and Native Timbers kept in Stock.

Repairs done in best style.

K. P R E T S C H.
CROMWELL,
COACH AND GENERAL PAINTER,
PAPERHANGER, &c.

Has always on hand a fine selection of Paper hangings, Paints, Glass, and Mouldings of every description, at low prices.

Contracts undertaken for General Painting, Paperhanging, Decoration, and Sign Writing.

E. M U R R E L L,
WATCHMAKER & JEWELLER,

Has just received, per English Mail, another consignment of SILVER HUNTING LEVER WATCHES direct from the Manufacturer in London. As these Watches are made to his own order, bear his name, and specially made to suit the requirements of this district, he can with confidence recommend them to the public both as regards finish and accuracy of adjustment, and as Time-keepers not to be excelled in the colony.

E.M. has made arrangements for regular supplies, and as he buys for cash he is in a position to defy competition.

A Two Years' Guarantee given with every Watch.

INSPECTION INVITED.

Note the address—

E. MURRELL,

Watch and Clock Maker,

MELMORE-STREET, CROMWELL.

THE AUSTRALIAN LITHOFRAC-
TEUR AND DYNAMITE CO.
(KREBS' PATENT.)

ARTHUR BRISCOE & CO.,

Having accepted the above Company's Agency for New Zealand, direct the attention of Railway and other Contractors, Miners, and Quarrymen to the enormous advantages derived from the use of these STRONGEST EXPLOSIVES MANUFACTURED.

For Mining, Quarrying, Blasting in hard or soft rock, and for Submarine Works (Krebs' Patent being the only manufacture insoluble) it is invaluable.

The SUPERIOR STRENGTH of these COLONIAL EXPLOSIVES has been proved by experts to be 15 to 20 per cent. stronger than any imported Dynamite, while the present price renders it cheaper than blasting powder.

Price—1 case, 2s 9d per lb.

5 " 2s 6d "

10 " 2s 3d "

Delivery from magazine payable by purchaser.

ARTHUR BRISCOE & CO.,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL IRONMONGERS AND
IRON MERCHANTS,
PRINCES-STREET, DUNEDIN.

J O H N S M I T H

begs to intimate to the Public that he

HAS OPENED

Those

WELL-KNOWN AND COMMODIOUS STABLES
(Late Starkey and Scally's),
And hopes, by attention and civility, to merit a fair share of public patronage.

BUGGIES & SADDLE HORSES ALWAYS ON HIRE.

HORSES BROKEN IN, &c.

P. B U T E L & C O.'S

FLOUR MILLS,

NEAR ARROWTOWN.

Supply First-class

SILK-DRESSED FLOUR, BRAN AND POLLARD.

GRISTING DONE AT CURRENT RATES.

Country orders executed with care and dispatch. An excellent sample of flour guaranteed, cannot be excelled in the Colony.

V I N C E N T F L O U R M I L L,
OPHIR.

J. C. JONES

Begs to inform the inhabitants of the surrounding districts that, having now completed the above Flour Mill, which he has fitted up with machinery on the most improved principle, he is prepared to supply

SILK-DRESSED FLOUR
of the best quality; also, Bran and Pollard.

Gristing at Current Rates.

J. C. JONES.

WAKATIP FLOUR & OATMEAL
MILLS, LAKE HAYES.

ROBERT GILMOUR - PROPRIETOR.

The Proprietor begs to announce to the public that, owing to the increased demand for Oatmeal, he has now completed considerable improvements on his oatmeal machinery, and is prepared to supply a first-class article at a most reasonable rate.

R.G.'s Mill being under the management of a Miller of wide experience, the public can depend upon a Constant Supply of Flour of the best quality, and can offer it at as cheap a rate and upon as reasonable terms as any in the district.

ROBERT GILMOUR.

N O T I C E.

FOURPENCE each will be given by the undersigned for the SKINS of Rabbits destroyed on Mt. Pisa and Queensberry Runs upon delivery at the Home Station.

I. LOUGHNAN.

4th July, 1879.

N O T I C E.

A number of useless Curs are allowed to prowl about on Kawarau Station by their owners. This is to give them warning that POISON will be laid wherever they are most likely to get it.

JAMES COWAN.

October, 1877.

F O R S A L E.

Several Sections in Cromwell

Cottage (furnished) and Section in Melmore Terrace

Cottage and Section in Murray-street Shop and Dwelling in Melmore-street

Cottage on Block IX.

Water-race of 12 heads (Lowburn)

Agricultural Lease Area of 200 Acres

5000 mixed full-mouthed Sheep

Cromwell Coal Lease and Plant

Several Quartz-crushing Batteries

Bannockburn Water-race.

20 Acres, Freehold (fenced), adjoining Cromwell.

CHAS. COLCLOUGH,

Agent, Cromwell.

V.  R.

O T A G O G O L D F I E L D S.

Application to Purchase Land.

District of Otago Goldfields,

Cromwell, September 10, 1879.

To the Warden, Cromwell.

I hereby apply to Purchase Five Acres of Land situate at Nevis, comprising and around my homestead, store and garden.

SIN GOON LEE,

Per his Agent, Chas. Colclough.

NOTICE.

The above application will be heard before me, at Cromwell on the 12th day of December, 1879.

JACKSON KEDDELL,

Warden.

S W A N B R E W E R Y,

CROMWELL.

G. W. GOODGER . . . Proprietor.

The Proprietor is now prepared to supply his unrivalled XXXX ALES in any quantity, delivered throughout the District.

Orders left at the Commercial Hotel, Cromwell, or at the Brewery, will be promptly attended to.

G. W. GOODGER.

WILLIAM SUTHERLAND

General

BLACKSMITH & FARRIER,

Begs to intimate to Mining Companies and the public generally that he has removed to

QUARTZVILLE,

where he hopes, by strict attention to business and reasonable charges, to merit a share of the public patronage.

CROMWELL

VETERINARY SHOEING FORGE,
MELMORE STREET.

ROBERT WISHART,

GENERAL BLACKSMITH, FARRIER, MACHINIST, &c.

Every description of work in connection with Mining and Farming Tools and Machinery made and repaired on the premises.

Good Workmanship guaranteed at Reasonable Prices.

R. W. begs to intimate to the public generally that he has gone to the expense of fitting up a CAST-IRON BED for TIRING WHEELS, being the first introduced up-country; and in this branch he will guarantee to give every satisfaction.

Horses shod on the latest and most-approved principle.

Light shoes	...	10s.
Draught do.	...	16s.

N.B.—A large supply of Slesinger's Horse and Cattle Medicines on hand.

IMPORTANT TO WAGONERS, FARMERS, AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

NEW VETERINARY & SHOEING FORGE.

JAMES RICHARDS,

Having purchased the business as General Blacksmith and Horse-shoer in Cromwell, lately carried on by Mr K. Cayford, begs to inform the public that he is in a position to execute every class of work in a most satisfactory manner at reasonable prices.

In the Veterinary and Shoeing Department the advertiser has considerable experience, and in these branches can guarantee to suit those who favor him with their patronage.

Horses carefully and skilfully treated for all complaints.

Note the Address—

MURRAY STREET, CROMWELL,
Opposite Messrs Grant and MacKellar's offices.

SHERWOOD AND WRIGHT,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

WINE, SPIRIT, AND PROVISION MERCHANTS, AND GENERAL

STOREKEEPERS,

MELMORE-STREET, CROMWELL.

Having completed their arrangements for the regular consignment of Goods suitable to the market, Sherwood and Wright have pleasure in intimating that they have now on hand, and constantly arriving, full supplies of

WINES, SPIRITS, PROVISIONS, AND FAMILY GROCERIES

of the very best quality obtainable, and which will be found to compare most favorably as to price with those of any establishment on the Goldfields.

The Stock comprises every class of goods in above line, so that it is unnecessary to give a detailed list.

Messrs Sherwood and Wright have made arrangements for a constant supply of

FLOUR, BRAN, POLLARD, AND GENERAL PRODUCE

of the finest quality from the Wakatipu Mills. In this line the firm can offer special value.

GOODS DELIVERED TO ALL PARTS OF THE DISTRICT.

FAMILIES REGULARLY WAITED UPON.

S. & W. desire specially to state that they have entered into arrangements for the regular supply to them of

DAIRY PRODUCE

from one of the finest farms on the Taieri, an advantage which they feel sure their customers will fully appreciate.

NORWICH UNION FIRE INSUR-

ANCE SOCIETY.

RISKS TAKEN ON THE MOST LIBERAL TERMS.

JAMES MARSHALL,

Melmore-Street, Cromwell.

[ESTABLISHED, 1859.]

NEW ZEALAND INSURANCE COMPANY.

CAPITAL ... £1,000,000.

Accepts Fire Risks on every description of property, at lowest rates.

CHARLES COLCLOUGH,

Agent, Cromwell.

C O B B A N D C O.'S
LIVERY STABLES,

LAWRENCE,

Will now be under the personal supervision of Mr Craig.

HORSES & BUGGIES ALWAYS ON HIRE.

Horses Broken to Saddle and Harness.

H. CRAIG & Co.,
Proprietors.

CENTRAL REGISTRY OFFICE.

E. LYONS begs to notify the inhabitants of Cromwell and District that he has OPENED REGISTRY OFFICE in conjunction with his Fruiterer's Business in Dunedin.

Hotelkeepers, station owners and others can rely upon obtaining suitable Servants of every description.

E. LYONS

(Late J. B. L. Luks),

COMMISSION, LAND & ESTATE AGENT,
GEORGE-STREET, DUNEDIN.

K A W A R A U C O A L P I T,
BANNOCKBURN.

JOHN PRYDE, Proprietor.

The Coal supplied from above Pit is recognised as the best yet vended in the district. It burns freely, and emits great heat. It is delivered at

Cromwell ... 24s per ton.

Bannockburn ... 20s do.

At Pit's mouth ... 12s do.

FULL WEIGHT GUARANTEED.

JOHN PRYDE,

Proprietor.

W A N A K A S A W - M I L L S.

RUSSELL, EWING & CO.,

PROPRIETORS.

The Proprietors have placed the above Mills in complete working order with the best appliances obtainable and are prepared to supply Manufactured Timber of every description; Posts, Rails, Props, Slabs, &c. &c., at the shortest possible notice, at reasonable prices and on easy terms.

Orders punctually attended to and despatched with promptitude.

RUSSELL, EWING & Co.,

WANAKA SAW MILLS.

V U L C A N F O U N D R Y.
Great King-street, Dunedin.

KINCAID, M'QUEEN AND CO.,
Boilermakers, Engineers, Millwrights, Founders, Blacksmiths, &c.

All kinds of castings in Brass and Iron. Steam Engines and Boilers made and repaired. Overshot, Breast, and Turbine Waterwheels. Quartz-crushing Machinery, Pumping and Wind-ing Gear.

Cast-iron Sluice and Ripple Plates; Sheet-iron Hopper and Sluice Plates, (punched to any size of holes), Gold-dredging Spoons, etc. Flour-mill Machinery.

All kinds of Reaping, Threshing, Horse-power Machines made and repaired.

Improved Reaping Machines.

K., M'Q. and Co.'s improved Wrought-Iron Piping for Fluming and Hydraulic Mining is the best in use, and cheaper than canvas.

RESTAURANT Hotels

KIRTLEBURN HOTEL,
ROARING MEG.

T. GORMAN, Proprietor.

The travelling public will find every comfort and accommodation at this hostelry.
Wines, Beer, and Spirits of best brands.

JOHN MARRS,
BRIDGE HOTEL,
CROMWELL.

VALUE FOR MONEY.

VICTORIA BRIDGE HOTEL.

J. M'CORMICK, Proprietor.

The above well-known Hotel (late Edwards') has undergone a thorough renovation at the hands of the present proprietor, and is now second to no house on the main road from Cromwell to Queenstown.

Travellers may rest assured that they will receive every attention at the above Hotel.

The excellent range of **STONE STABLES** is under the charge of an experienced Groom. Horses will therefore secure every attention.

BANNOCKBURN HOTEL & STORE,
DOCTOR'S FLAT, BANNOCKBURN,
(On the Main Road to the Nevis).

GROCERIES, CLOTHING, BOOTS, and HOUSEHOLD REQUISITES of all descriptions kept in Stock

The Goods, being obtained **DIRECT** from Dunedin, are retailed at the **LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICES.**

N.B.—Good Stabling, Horse Feed, &c.

JOHN RICHARDS, PROPRIETOR

VICTORIA HOTEL,
CROMWELL.

JAMES STUART,

(Late of the Ferry Hotel, Bannockburn.) Begs to intimate to his friends and the public that he has purchased the above Hotel, where he hopes, by strict attention to business, and by keeping the best Wines and Spirits, to merit a share of public patronage.

A first-class table kept, and superior eight-stall stone stable, replete with every convenience for Travellers. Unsurpassed in the District.

N.B.—The nearest Hotel to the Court-house.

CRITERION HOTEL,
ALEXANDRA.

HENRY TOHILL, Proprietor.

H. TOHILL begs to inform the Travelling Public that this Hotel possesses every convenience, and trusts, by strict attention to the comfort of Travellers and the Public generally, to merit their patronage.

PRIVATE PARLOR AND BEDROOMS.

Large and commodious Billiard Room and Alcock's Prize Table.

THE BEST OF WINES, SPIRITS AND BEER ONLY KEPT.

The Culinary Department Specially attended to.

GOOD STABLING.

PORT PHILIP HOTEL,
SUNDERLAND STREET, CLYDE.

JOHN COX, Proprietor.

This well-known Hotel possesses every accommodation; and J. C. begs to inform the Travelling Public that, to suit the times, he has determined on reducing the charges, which, from date, will be as follows:—

Stabling, per night	6s
Single Feed	2s
Meals and Bed, each	2s
Board and Lodging, per week	30s
Board only	20s

The Stables attached to the Hotel comprise, besides Stalls, Eight Loose Boxes. An efficient Groom always in attendance, and only the best of Provender kept.

Cobb and Co's. coaches arrive and depart from this Hotel.

THE BEST BRANDS OF SPIRITS, WINES, AND BEERS.

N.B.—A Private Cottage for Families, containing all the comforts of a home.

Cromwell



FREE TRADE BUTCHERY.
(Wholesale and Retail).

JAMES DAWKINS, PROPRIETOR.

A supply of Beef, Mutton, Veal, Pork, Hams, Bacon, &c., always on hand.

*Meat delivered at Town Prices throughout the district.



R. AND W. OLDS,
FAMILY BUTCHERS,

MELMORE-STREET, CROMWELL.

In thanking householders of the town and district of Cromwell for the liberal patronage conferred upon them since starting business, desire to say that they have entered into such arrangements as will enable them to continue to supply their Customers with Beef, Mutton, Pork and other articles in the trade of the very best quality.

SMALL GOODS OF EVERY DESCRIPTION.

Families and Hotels waited upon daily.



THE CROMWELL BAKERY.

J. SCOTT,

BREAD AND BISCUIT BAKER,

Melmore-street, Cromwell.

Families waited on for orders, and Bread regularly delivered in all parts of the district.

THOMAS FOOTE,
TAILOR AND CLOTHIER

MELMORE TERRACE,

CROMWELL.

Choice Selection of Tweeds on hand.

FOR SALE.

4,000 TOTARA and BLACK PINE POSTS.

Apply to

D. COLWELL, Pembroke.

Stud Horses.



THE well-known CLYDESDALE ENTIRE

SURPRISE

Will, on the 1st November, visit Cromwell, and from thence Clyde, Alexandra, Teviot, Blacks and Ida Valley.

SURPRISE, bred by John Hamilton, Esq., is by that well-known Clydesdale sire Thane of Clyde, imported to Southland by Hugh Maclean, Esq. Dam bred by A. Clerke, Esq., Longford, Tasmania, and imported into Southland by the Messrs Clerke Brothers for breeding purposes on their farm.

Surprise is a dark dappled bay, stands 17 hands high. He is a remarkably compact and powerful horse, with immense bone, fine flat leg, unequalled action, and docile temper. He has proved himself a sure foal-getter, and his stock are not surpassed by the progeny of any horse which has ever served in the Southland and Clyde Districts, where he has travelled.

Surprise took second prize, at two, three and four years old, at the Invercargill Annual Show against all comers.

Well-grassed paddocks at Ida Valley for the accommodation of mares coming from a distance will be provided free of charge, without responsibility. The greatest care taken.

TERMS, £3. Groomage, 5s.

Guarantees as per agreement. Owners of mares at time of service responsible for service fees. Service fees to be paid for at end of season, except specially provided for.

J. DRUMMEY,

Proprietor.

Stud Horses.



THE THOROUGHBRED HORSE

ARCHITECT

Will Stand at Mount Pisa Station during this Season.

TERMS - £4 4s.

Season to end and Mares to be removed by 31st December, 1879.

Every care taken of Mares, but no responsibility incurred.

I. LOUGHNAN.

6th October, 1879.

THE PURE THOROUGHBRED ENTIRE HORSE

HARUHA

Will Travel this Season

IN THE WAKATIPU AND CROMWELL DISTRICTS,

Commencing October 17, and calling every alternate week on Fridays at Cromwell, and at Perriam's Saturday and Sunday.

HARUHA is a Bay Horse, stands 15½ hands, with great substance and quality, good constitution and temper. Got by Towton—dam Fair Puritan by Oliver Cromwell out of Coronaria (imported), by Sweetmeat out of Jessica, by Lancelot, own brother to Touchstone.

Towton (imported), own brother to the Peer and Marchioness, by Melbourne—dam Cinzelli by Touchstone.

Haruha is full brother to Orange Lightning, half-brother to Sinking Fund, Roebuck, Tambourini, Atalanta, Papapa, Korari, and Puriri (winner of the Dunedin Derby and Christchurch St. Leger). He was bred by Mr Redwood, and sold in 1872 as a yearling for 400 guineas.

For further pedigree, see card.

TOM BEAUFORT,

Proprietor.

Arrowtown, Lake County,

8th September, 1879.



TO STAND THIS SEASON AT

BELLEVUE FARM, TARRAS,

The Pure Clydesdale Stallion,

MARQUIS OF LORNE.

PEDIGREE:

MARQUIS OF LORNE, bred by J. F. Kitching, Esq., is a bright bay, rising three years old. Sire—Governor, bred by Mr Robert Charters, Moy, East Taieri; his sire is the illustrious stud horse Nimmo's Emperor by Napoleon, imported from Scotland, bred by Mr Macadam, Kerpuloch. His sire is by Mr Buchan, of Coldrach's horse, and his dam a mare purchased from Lorn Campbell, Esq., of Roseneath. Emperor's dam, Nancy, a well-known Clydesdale mare, bred by Mr Alexander Findlay, Sandy Hills, near Glasgow. Nancy was got by the celebrated Garvary Horse, and her dam by Scotsman, the property of James Kirkwood, Kilmar. Dam—Matty (lately the property of Mr John Stevenson, East Taieri), by Thane of Clyde, bred by Mr Thomas Young, Renfrewshire, Scotland. Thane of Clyde's sire is the far-famed horse Surprise, bred by Mr Murdoch, Lanarkshire; his grand sire Wallace. Mr Stevenson sold Matty to Mr J. F. Kitching for 200 guineas. Matty's dam, Bell, is out of Duchess, imported from Tasmania. Matty was the winner of two first, three second and two third prizes at Dunedin, Taieri and Tokomairiro, prior to her being sold to Mr Kitching. Her dam, Bell, carried off no less than thirteen first, seven second and three third prizes. Duchess is the dam of the following noted Clydesdales:—Entires: Lord Glasgow (sold to Mr W. Holley, Canterbury), Rantin Robin (sold to Mr Carmichael), Surprise (sold to Mr J. Robertson) and Blair Athol (sold to same buyer). Mares: Jean; Bell (sold to Mr W. Holley); and Bay Filly (sold to Mr R. Gawn).

An Experienced Groom in charge of the Horse.

TERMS - £5 5s.

Groomage Fee, 5s, payable on the first Service.

A Paddock of 160 acres for Mares; every care taken, but no responsibility.

Season to end 1st February, 1880, when all fees must be paid or arranged for.

BELL BROTHERS,

Proprietors, Tarras.

October 6, 1879.

Cromwell.

SELLING OFF!!!
SELLING OFF!!

DRAPERY, CLOTHING,
BOOTS & SHOES,

Fancy Goods, Jewellery,

BOOKS,

PATENT MEDICINES,

&c., &c.

J. SOLOMON

Has determined upon giving up Business in Cromwell solely on account of the recent bereavement in his family.

The Public will therefore bear in mind this is

NO CHEAP CLEARING SALE,

But a

GENUINE SALE

Of everything in Stock at any sacrifice.

EVERY ARTICLE WILL BE SOLD BELOW COST PRICE.

Special Inducements to Customers Purchasing Large Parcels.

It is impossible to quote Prices for such a large Stock.

Come and See and be Convinced.

J. S. will not Refuse any Reasonable Offer for a Large Parcel.

In order to make a speedy clearance, J. S. has made arrangements with Mr O. CUMMINS to visit the surrounding district, as well as the Arrow, Queenstown, Clyde, Alexandra, Blacks, Tinkers and Drybread, so as to give all who are not in a position to come to Cromwell the opportunity of securing Bargains.

Look out for O. CUMMINS.

One trial will prove to anyone not entirely in the hands of other storekeepers how much cheaper J. S. is selling than any storekeeper in the district.

A SPLENDID STOCK

OF

NEW SUMMER GOODS

ONLY JUST OPENED OUT

CHEAP BOOTS!

Heavy-nailed Watertights, 14s 6d
Heavy-nailed Bluchers, 10s
Gent's Balmoral's (best quality), 15s
Gent's E.S. (best quality), 16s
Boy's heavy-nailed Lace Boots, 6s 6d
Youths' do do, 8s 6d
Women's E.S. Leather Boots, 10s
Copper-toed Lace Boots, 4s 6d to 5s 6d
E.S. copper-toe Boots, 5s to 6s 6d
Maid's E.S. Leather Boots (1 and 2), 8s
Elastic top Leather Slippers, 4s

THE ABOVE ARE ALL BEST DUNEDIN MAKE.

LADIES' & CHILDREN'S KID BOOTS.

A Large Variety, equally Low in Price.

GUM BOOTS, 22s 6d.

The above Prices must convince the Public that J. Solomon means business.

TERMS—CASH ONLY.

Vincent County Gazette.

TENDERS will be received at the County Offices, Cromwell, up till Noon of **TUESDAY**, the 16th day of December, 1879, for the undermentioned Works:—

CONTRACT 66—25 chains long.
" 66A—10 "

Both portions of road "Rocky Point to Quartz-reef Points.

Plans and specifications may be seen at the County Offices, Clyde and Cromwell.

Tenders to be addressed to the Chairman, and marked "Tender for Contract 66" or "66A" (as the case may be).

L. D. MACGEORGE,
County Engineer.

County Offices, Clyde,
December 2nd, 1879.

BOROUGH OF CROMWELL.

EXTRAORDINARY VACANCY FOR COUNCILLOR FOR BRIDGE WARD.

NOMINATIONS for the Office of **COUNCILLOR** for **BRIDGE WARD** will take place at the Council Chambers, Cromwell, at Noon on **THURSDAY**, December 4th, 1879.

Dated at Cromwell this 25th day of November, 1879.

JAS. MARSHALL,
Returning Officer for Bridge Ward.

N.B.—Any Ratepayer within the Borough is competent to stand for any Ward. See Section 60 of "Municipal Corporations Act, 1876."

TOWN OF CROMWELL.

FRONTAGES TO MELMORE-STREET, CROMWELL.

The Corporation will offer **FOR SALE** by auction, on a day to be notified in a future advertisement, 45 **SECTIONS** on the south side of Melmore-terrace, divided into suitable frontages.

The purchasers will obtain the right of possession in 30 days after sale, to allow removal of buildings in the interval.

No valuation for buildings will be allowed.

CHAS. COLCLOUGH,
Mayor.

Borough Chambers,
November 24th, 1879.

LAND TRANSFER ACT NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the several parcels of Land hereinafter described will be brought under the provisions of "The Land Transfer Act, 1870," unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same within one calendar month from the date of gazetting the notice.

Part of Sections 15 and 16, Block II., Town of Cromwell. THE BANK OF NEW ZEALAND, applicant, No. 2,871.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 15th day of November, 1879, at the Lands Registry Office, Dunedin.

A. W. SMITH,
District Land Registrar.

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Section 21, Block III., Town of Cromwell. ROBERT KIDD, applicant, No. 2,861.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 5th day of November, 1879, at the Lands Registry Office, Dunedin.

A. W. SMITH,
District Land Registrar.

TO FARMERS.

M'CORMICK'S HARVESTERS FOR SALE.

Agent for Cromwell:
CHARLES COLCLOUGH.

R. AND A. J. PARK,
SURVEYORS, LAND AGENTS,
SHARE AND MONEY BROKERS,
SAVINGS BANK BUILDINGS,
HIGH STREET, DUNEDIN.

Land Office business transacted.

MONEY TO LEND AT CURRENT RATES.

FENCING POSTS now on hand—
Cheap.

GRANT & MACKELLAR.

N O T I C E.

FOUND, a WATCH. Apply, Bridge Hotel, Cromwell.

WANTED, a Practical MANAGER for a Quartz Mine near Dunedin. Apply, "Legal Manager," box 107, P.O., Dunedin, before 12th December.

WANTED, immediately, a SHEPHERD accustomed to high country. Six or twelve months' engagement. Apply,
J. DOVE,
Hawea Station.

WANTED, early in December, for a term of eight months, as Hill Shepherd, a SINGLE MAN, with good Dogs. Wages, 27s per week. Apply to
M'INTOSH BROS.,
Nevis.

CATHOLIC CHURCH BAZAAR.

A MEETING of Ladies will be held at the Catholic Schoolroom on **THURSDAY** the 4th inst., at 4 p.m., for the purpose of arranging Bazaar matters.

£1 R E W A R D.

LOST, from Albert Town Racecourse a Black GELDING (Bungaree), branded **W** on near shoulder. Any person delivering the horse to Mr H. Maidman, Luggate; or, John Werner, Lowburn, will receive above reward.

F O R S A L E.

3 quiet Dairy **COWS** (one with calf at foot, the others to calve in a few days); also, some Young **STOCK**.

Apply to
E. MURRELL,
Watchmaker, Cromwell.

F O R S A L E.

An 8-horse Horizontal **STEAM ENGINE** and **BOILER**, with Winding and Pumping Gear complete, suitable for mining or for a sawmill. Terms easy.

Apply to
CHAS. COLCLOUGH.

N O T I C E.
EDUCATION.

The newly-erected **SCHOOL-HOUSE** at Pembroke will be **OPENED** for public instruction by Mr CHAS. CONNOR on **MONDAY**, the 5th day of January ensuing.

ROBT. M'DOUGALL,
Secretary of Committee.
Pembroke, 22nd November, 1879.

BALLARAT HOTEL,
ARROWTOWN.

Mrs G. B. BOND, Proprietress.

The above Hotel is replete with every convenience and comfort, rendering it eminently suitable for the travelling public, while permanent boarders will find all the comforts of a home.

FIRST-CLASS STABLING
Efficiently managed.

Prize Billiard Table, with all accessories and careful attendance.

FIRST-CLASS MINING INVESTMENT.

FOR SALE BY PRIVATE CONTRACT.

CHARLES COLCLOUGH has **FOR SALE** that splendid Mining Property known as **ROWES' CLAIM**, at the Kawarau Gorge, comprising the Claim (from which the yields are splendid), and Two Water-races, having a large and constant supply of water (the whole of one and one-half of the other), and commanding all the auriferous ground in the district.

The whole is in first-class order, yielding over £1200 per annum; and the Water-races, independently of their command of the mining ground, will always command a high value for irrigation purposes, for which they can be applied to all the agricultural country around, including the whole of the Cromwell Flat.

Every information will be given to bona fide purchasers, as well as satisfactory reasons for the disposal of the property. Terms easy.

PIPECLAY SLUDGE CHANNEL
CO. (LIMITED).

A CALL of 1s per Share has been made payable at the Company's Office, Cromwell, on **WEDNESDAY**, December 10th, 1879.

JAS. MARSHALL,
Manager.

CARRICK RANGE WATER-SUPPLY
CO. (REGISTERED).

A CALL of 2s 6d per Share has been made payable at the Company's Office, Cromwell, on **MONDAY**, 15th December, 1879.

JAS. MARSHALL,
Manager.

T O B U I L D E R S.

TENDERS are invited for the **ERECTION** of a Schoolmaster's Residence at Pembroke for the Southland Education Board.

Plans and Specifications to be seen with R. M'Dougall, Esq., Pembroke, and Tenders to be lodged with the undersigned on or before Friday, December 12th, at noon.

F. W. BURWELL,
Architect to Board, Invercargill.

S P O R T S ! S P O R T S ! ! S P O R T S ! ! !

Will be held

ON NEW YEAR'S DAY,
AT LOWBURN,

as usual.

Programme in future issue.

D O N ' T F O R G E T
THE
ANNUAL SPORTS

Will be held

AT QUARTZVILLE
ON NEW YEAR'S DAY.

Particulars in future advertisement.

S P O R T S ! S P O R T S ! ! S P O R T S ! ! !

Will be held,

ON CHRISTMAS DAY,
AT BENDIGO,

Consisting of

HORSE-RACING, RUNNING, WRESTLING,
&c., &c.

Programme in future issue.

F O R S A L E,
By Tender.

VALUABLE MINING PROPERTY AT
ROXBURGH.

TENDERS are hereby called for the **PURCHASE** of Four-fifths of that valuable Mining Property, known as the **PERSEVERANCE WATER RACE** (extending for a distance of five miles), registered to carry 12 heads of water taken from the Teviot River, and brought on to Hercules Flat, terminating at Dumbarton Rock; together with two Extended Claims, situate on the banks of the Molyneux River, and Two Sets of Mining Plant complete. Arrangements can be made to purchase the remaining One-fifth Share if required. An extension of the Race along the banks of the River a distance of one or two miles would carry the water to a large portion of ground known to be highly auriferous.

Tenders to be lodged with the undersigned on or before **THURSDAY**, 18th DECEMBER, 1879.

The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

JABEZ BURTON,
Trustee for the Property.

FRIDAY, 12th DECEMBER,
At Noon.

SALE OF PRIVILEGES
OF
ANNUAL RACE MEETING, 1879.

CHARLES COLCLOUGH,
will sell the following privileges in connection with the above meeting on Friday, 12th December inst., at the White Hart Hotel, at 1 o'clock, p.m.:

1. Grand Stand and Booth
2. Horse Paddock
3. Race Cards
4. Right to Sell Fruit.

GEORGE JENOUR,
Secretary.

December 2, 1879.

A T PIERCE'S LATE BUTCHER'S
SHOP,

MELMORE-TERRACE, CROMWELL.

OPENING

TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY), 3RD DEC.,

Until

MONDAY, 8TH DEC.

W A N T E D

The Inhabitants of

CROMWELL

AND

SURROUNDING DISTRICTS

To know that

E. DIMANT & Co.,

The famous Dispensers of

WONDERFUL BARGAINS

In every description of

Ladies' Drapery, Underclothing,
STYLISH MILLINERY,

FASHIONABLE DRESS STUFFS,

All the Latest Patterns in

MEN'S & BOYS' CLOTHING,

&c., &c.,

HAVE ARRIVED;

And, after a most successful stay in

Lawrence, Roxburgh, Clyde

and Alexandra, they

intend to

ASTONISH AND DELIGHT

The Public of Cromwell

FOR FOUR DAYS ONLY!

For our startling List of Prices read our Handbills, &c.

"Reserve your Purchases until we arrive;
For at the Prices we sell, we are bound to thrive."

E. DIMANT & CO.,
IMPORTERS.



CROMWELL KILWINNING
LODGE (S.C.)

The **REGULAR MEETING** will be held on **WEDNESDAY EVENING**, 3rd December, at 8 p.m.

Business: Raisings and Nomination of Officers.

By order of the R.W.M.

J. A. PRESHAW,
Secretary.

N O T I C E.

Preparatory to retiring from business in a few months, the undersigned begs to thank the public for their liberal support during the last 17 years, and requests that all Accounts now being rendered be paid on or before Christmas, in order to close the books for the year.

In the meantime, goods will be sold very cheap for cash, in order to ensure a speedy clearance.

HENRY NORMAN.

Albert Town, Nov. 14, 1879.

Cromwell Argus,
AND NORTHERN GOLD-FIELDS GAZETTE.

CROMWELL: TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1879.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

DUNEDIN, December 2, 11.40 a.m.

DUNEDIN SPRING RACES.

Results of yesterday's races:—Free Handicap—Numa, 1; Soukhar, 2. Ladies' Purse—Chancellor, 1; Unknown, 2; Lara, 3. Trot Zulu, 1; Titokowaru, 2. Spring Handicap—Camballo, 1; Dolly Barwin, 2. St. Andrew's Handicap—Titania, 1. The totalisator was used on the course.

This day's racing results were:—Hurdle Race—Scamp, 1; Milo, 2; Kildare, 3. Romance, Tewhetumarama and Unknown also ran. The last two fell. President's Handicap—Lara, 1; Titania, 2; Chancellor, 3; Atlantic, 0.

The Lyster Opera Company have arrived, and open on Saturday in "Maritana."

Fiji advises state that the Rev. J. Brown, who some months ago defended traders and teachers at the New Britain group from cannibals who had previously butchered and eaten several Fijian teachers, has been summoned to Fiji at the instance of Chief Justice Gorrie in his capacity of High Commissioner for Western Polynesia, and will be put upon his trial on a charge of manslaughter. Sir Arthur Gordon disapproves of the prosecution.

A court-martial is to be held at Wellington on an insubordinate Volunteer officer.

A fire broke out in Millicant's, Octagon, last night, the premises being gutted. They were insured in the Standard office for £200 and Norwich Union for £300.

At Christchurch yesterday, Albert Pinkstone was sentenced to six months imprisonment for indecency towards females. The prisoner moved in good society.

The Dunedin Jockey Club has appointed a committee of three to revise all handicaps.

POLITICAL NEWS.

In the House yesterday, Sir George Grey presented a petition, signed by 590 residents of Canterbury, complaining of the conduct of Hall, Moorehouse, Rolleston and Saunders relative to maladministration of waste lands in that Provincial District re the abuse known as "gridironing."

Every sitting is entirely devoted to the Estimates. There was considerable discussion over the item "Agent-General." Gisborne moved its reduction by £1000, which was negatived.

There is much difference of opinion as to the propriety of Sir Julius Vogel contesting a seat in the Imperial Parliament.

Oliver announced he would deliver the Public Works Statement this or early next week.

No new phase has developed itself with reference to the financial situation.

Members are afraid to propose a reimposition of tea and sugar duties, having the fear of their constituents before their eyes. The Government do not like to do it for fear of Grey. Nobody likes the property tax or knows what to propose instead.

The reduction of honorarium appears to have been a mistake.

LATEST BY CABLE.

LONDON, November 28.

At wool sales 6,931 bales have been catalogued.

Three per cent. Consols, 98½; five per cent. New Zealand loan, 103. Adelaide wheat, 59s 6d; flour per 280lbs ex warehouse, 42s. To-day 9,800 bales were catalogued. The tone of the market is firm, with active demand.

DUBLIN.

Killen has been committed for trial, bail being refused.

EDINBURGH.

Mr Gladstone denounced the Tory finance as reckless and dishonest, and insisted on autonomy for, and emancipation of, the Balkans. He warned Europe against allowing Austria to extend her influence where the supremacy of Turkey should be maintained.

MADRID.

King Alphonso's marriage with the Arch-Duchess Christine was celebrated to-day.

CONSTANTINOPLE, November 29.

Arnauts inhabiting the frontier of Albania revolted and massacred Ahmed Mouktar Pasha.

November 30.

The murder of Mouktar Pasha is denied.

INTERCOLONIAL.

SYDNEY.

Captain Holt died this morning.

The Catholics are holding meetings throughout the colony to protest against the Education Bill.

For last month's work at the Cromwell Co.'s mine 641 tons of stone were put through the stampers, yielding 545ozs. A dividend of 1s 6d has been declared.

Nominations for the Grand Stand and Flying Handicaps at the forthcoming Cromwell Races must be sent in not later than Friday week, 12th inst. See advertised programme.

Arising out of an alleged defamatory letter respecting a teacher in this county written to the Education Board by a chairman of committee without the knowledge or sanction of his colleagues, we hear there is likely to be an action instituted for damages.

Eight members of the Hokitika County Council were present at the annual meeting, the whole of whom were candidates for the Chairmanship. No one was elected, and we notice the meeting adjourned *sine die*—like our own "model" Council probably breaking up in admired disorder.

The return match between the juvenile cricketers of Clyde and Cromwell was to have taken place at Clyde on Saturday last, but owing to the inclemency of the weather the match has been postponed till Thursday.—On Saturday the Cromwell ground will be the scene of the return match between the Clyde and Cromwell Clubs, when no doubt the Dunstan men will do their level best to retrieve the defeat suffered at Clyde in the opening match of the season.

The English house-sparrow is rapidly increasing in this district, and is likely, ere long, to prove a serious pest to fruit-growers and farmers. As evidencing the destruction caused by these birds we note that at a recent meeting of the Ellesmere (Canterbury) Sparrow Association an official statement was made that since the previous meeting the treasurer had paid at per dozen for the destruction of 3313 eggs and 667 birds.

Sergt. McGann's stay at Lawrence has been brief, as we notice he is leaving that district.

The contract for the erection of new premises for the Bank of New Zealand in Dunedin has been let to Mr J. Gore. The contract price is £26,046.

Mr J. B. Ewing has been re-elected Chairman of the Maniototo County Council. Mr Bennett and Mr H. Clark have been elected for Tuapeka and Bruce, respectively.

The ordinary night of meeting of the Borough Council is Friday next, and it is to be hoped nothing will prevent a full attendance, as business is accumulating through lapse of members on previous meeting-nights.

The twenty-four hours' walking match for the championship of New Zealand and a £40 prize commenced on Friday last and was won by young Scott, who covered a distance of 106 miles. This is said to be the greatest distance ever walked in the colonies in the time.

Mr F. H. Daniel has been elected Chairman of Lake County Council. Mr Edgar, the late Chairman, was a candidate, but he was defeated by two votes. During the meeting several "scenes" occurred and language more forcible than polite was indulged in during the heat of discussion on the merits of the late chairman. Notice was given to hold future Council meetings in Arrowtown, and it is said a majority of members will vote in favor of this.

A most welcome rain fell during Friday and Saturday which must do a world of good to the crops, which were suffering sadly from the long-continued drought. The downpour appears to have been pretty general throughout Otago, and its value to the farming interest can scarcely be calculated. Bright warm weather has now set in and crops will come on rapidly—indeed some fields of grain are already bursting into ear.

The fruit crop has been severely damaged by a strong easterly gale which set in last night and still continues, although with less violence. Apples especially have suffered, some heavily-bearing trees being almost completely stripped. The loss to market growers will be all the more serious from the fact that a night's frost about a month ago almost ruined the cherry crop, which promised to be exceptionally abundant. We here of one orchardist who reckons his loss in this fruit alone at some hundreds of pounds sterling.

We are indebted to the *Dunstan Times* for report of proceedings at the County Council last week. "When the cat's away the mice will play," and it really looks, judging from our contemporary's report, as though a good deal more play than work had been indulged in. The Council is evidently degenerating into a recognised system of log-rolling, and a perusal of their actions leads to the conclusion that the ability and dignity of members are about on a par.

Last week Mr T. A. Fraser, of Lake Wanaka, left for our inspection the horn of a deer which he found in the course of his travels through the country adjacent to his run. The horn is about 15in. in length, and appears to be a cast one. The deer were originally turned out a number of years since at Morven Hills, and now appear to have increased considerably. Mr Fraser informs us that there is every indication that herds of the animals pass and repass between the Timaru and Dingle forests, and it was on this track the horn left at this office was picked up. Deer-stalking will soon be an additional attractive inducement for tourists to the grand Wanaka Lake district.

Writing yesterday, our Alexandra correspondent furnishes us with the following items:—Mr J. Drumme has sustained a serious loss by the death of his entire horse "Surprise," which took place on Sunday last. This is the more unfortunate as it has occurred in the middle of the season when his services had been engaged for a large number of mares.—On Saturday last an accident, which was nearly being attended by fatal consequences, occurred to a little girl, a daughter of Mr J. Peters. It appears that the child was riding on one of the lorries used for drawing stone to the bridge, when it fell off in front of the lorry, which was drawn partly over it, and it being loaded at the time it was with some difficulty that the child was released from its position, the only injury inflicted being a dislocated ankle.

Happily the art of sticking-up on the public highway has not been much cultivated in this part of the colony; but we hear of a mild case that occurred in Lake County on Saturday evening, and it is to be hoped that by this time the offender has been taken and will receive deterrent punishment. It seems that a young lad in employ of Mr Turton, solicitor, had been to Arrowtown on business. Returning home in the evening he stopped in the vicinity of Lake Hayes to water his horse. A fellow approached the lad from a field and demanded from him money. Not adding much to his wealth from the boy's pocket-money he took from him a pocket-book containing documents of probable value to his employer and decamped. The lad, named Walter Keay, appears to have taken good stock of the highwayman, his description being very minute, and scarce leaving a chance of the scoundrel's escape.

The Cromwell correspondent to the *Daily Times*, who appears to write with an intimate knowledge of the position, remarking on the projected sale of frontages to Melmore-terrace says that "the preliminary technical and legal difficulties (from Mr Marsh even down to Mr Pyke) have been overcome. The Government (thanks to our member being fairly planted in Opposition) resisted his persuasive eloquence, and had the boldness to announce that Corporations had a right to some controlling power over their own affairs, and declined to adopt the report of the committee, which suggested interference with the action of the Borough Council in the sale of the lands above referred to." It would appear from this that the opinion of the law officers of the Crown has not been adverse to the Corporation in the action taken by that body. There are few, we think, who will regret that this long-vexed question is now in a fair way of final and satisfactory settlement.

A telegram in the *Morning Herald* says it is reported that Mr Pyke and a couple or so more have virtually seceded, and will be found following the Government in any emergency.

Mr H. S. Fish was last week elected Mayor of Dunedin by a majority of 317 votes over Mr Walter, who held the position last year. Strong religious feeling was imported into the contest, and the polling was larger than at any previous municipal election.

We are requested to draw attention to the fact that Messrs E. Dimant and Co. will to-morrow open out a large stock of drapery goods in those premises formerly occupied by Mr Pierce, butcher. For particulars, see advertisement.

Mr William Jenkins was last week elected Mayor of Arrowtown, the defeated candidates being Messrs Graham and Gröber. Mr Jenkins has been actively connected with the Borough Council of Arrow ever since its constitution, and is thoroughly qualified for the position he has been elected to.

From report of proceedings at last monthly meeting of the Otago Education Board we learn that a letter from Mr Elliot, chairman of the Nevis school committee, regarding the conduct of a teacher, and requesting inquiry, was received. It was resolved to ask the teacher for an explanation.—Correspondence relating to a dispute between Mr Chapple and the Blacks School Committee was referred to the Inspector.

A new "Registration of Dogs Bill" has gone through its second reading in the House of Representatives, and will take effect from the first of January next. It repeals all Provincial Acts hitherto in force, and provides for the supply of proper tickets to be fixed on dogs' collars, as well as for the destruction of unregistered animals. The Act is very short and simple, and is a decided improvement on all former ones.

Mr McCormick, the contractor for the road and bridges over the Kawarau and Swiftburn, is making good progress with the work. Some very heavy cutting through hard rock is involved in the roadmaking, and a large number of men are employed. The approaches to the Kawarau bridge are making a good show. Mr McCormick anticipates having the line open for traffic about the end of August, and from the energy he is displaying it is likely his calculation will not be far out.

A cricket match was played at Queens-town on Thursday last between a Wakatipu eleven and the Wallace County Club. The visitors were victorious by 35 runs. The weather was rather unfavorable, showers falling at intervals during the day. The Wallace men went in first and closed the innings for 81. The home team was disposed of for 42 in the first and 39 in the second innings, while the Wallace eleven were got out for 35—making the figures at the close, Wallace, 116; Wakatipu, 81. The visitors were captained by Holmes, and Queenstown by Mr W. L. Davis. The play of the Wallace men was very good, evidencing considerable practice, while the bowling of Hayward and Morrison was throughout remarkably good. The Wakatipu men were not equal to their opponents in the field, attributable no doubt to the fact that the eleven had had no opportunity of united practice.

Volunteers v. Civilians indulged in an afternoon's cricket yesterday. Loudon, Muter, Mahoney, Gudgeon, Adams, Jolly, Murrell, Scott, Marsh, McNulty and Simpson were the eleven representing the Volunteers, while the Civilians were Messrs Maddock, Goodger (G. and J.), Huxtable, McGregor, Olds (W. and R.), Ward (W.), Edwards, Muirhead and Brown. The time only allowed of one innings for each side. The soldiers went in first, and the first half-dozen men made a good stand—Muter (33) and Gudgeon (25), putting together 58 runs before retiring. Adams made 10 and Loudon 9, the other six wickets going down for 17, making in all 94. The Civilians were disposed of for a total of 52, of which 27 were to the credit of Maddock, who played a very nice innings. Ward, at the opposite wicket, lifted his bat to a shooter, which got among the timber, and a nasty blow on the eye just previously, while wicket-keeping, assisted, no doubt, in his quick retirement, otherwise a better show might have been made by the Civilians, who had the worst of it by 42 runs. The teams were not badly matched, but in the bowling department the Volunteers were strongest.

The *Home News* believes that England's Volunteer force has never been in such a vigorous and healthy state as it is at present, since its revival 20 years ago; and this is the more remarkable inasmuch as we might fairly have looked forward to some little decrease of energy as a reaction after the abnormal excitement of last year. But except that it is not so easy to procure or retain officers, there has been no sign whatever of such a reaction. Even the universal depression of trade has had no effect upon the zeal of the Volunteers throughout the country, who have been at least as attentive to their duties and as eager to avail themselves of every opportunity of acquiring military knowledge in 1879 as they were in 1878.

"Hotel barbers" is the term given in Melbourne to a certain class of thieves. Their system is to engage a bedroom in a hotel for a night, and while occupying it, pay visits to other rooms, picking up any "unconsidered trifles."

Captain Warner has devised a little apparatus which may be carried in the crown of a hat, sufficient for keeping afloat an adult in case of shipwreck. It is only an ounce in weight and may be packed in a space no bigger than an ordinary nutshell.

A well-dressed man entered a jeweller's shop, and asked if he could see "those cups in the window," pointing, as he spoke to some silver cups lined with gold in the window. "These," said the jeweller, handing him one, "are race cups." "Race cups—what are race-cups?" "Why," replied the jeweller, "they are cups I had ordered to be made for prizes to the best racer." "Well, if that's so, suppose you and I race for one," and with cup in hand he started and the jeweller after him.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN NEWS.

[By Cable.]

(FROM DUNEDIN DAILIES.)

LONDON, November 25.

The Chilean army defeated the Peruvians and Bolivians with great loss near Iquique.

Excepting at Dublin, Limerick, and Cork, the demonstrations of sympathy with Davitt and Killeen were without enthusiasm.

Archbishop Macabe's pastoral denounces emphatically the leaders of the Home Rule party, and warns the people against treasonable associations.

New Zealand debentures are in active demand, and have risen one-half per cent.

At the wool sales to-day 7411 bales were catalogued. There was good competition among foreign buyers.

The Right Hon. W. E. Gladstone, at Edinburgh, preferred a powerful indictment against the Government, and urged the necessity of replacing the majority in the House of Commons, because the House was responsible for the foreign policy of the Government.

November 27.

The Chileans have captured Iquique.

Mr Gladstone, in a speech at Dalkeith, favored local autonomy for Ireland.

The Government intends forming an army reserve of 10,000 men in the Dominion of Canada, available for service abroad.

The German Parliament has voted 300,000 marks for representation at the Melbourne Exhibition.

A Commission appointed to make a preliminary inquiry into the charges of sedition was held in London for several days. Davitt was committed.

The *Times* has semi-officially announced that the elections are postponed, as a dissolution would be inopportune in view of the disturbed state of Ireland. The Liberals are distressed.

DUBLIN, November 25.

Davitt was committed for trial. The cases of Puget and Killens are still undecided.

Reinforcements have been despatched to the West of Ireland, where agrarian outrages are increasing.

St. PETERSBURG, November 25.

Gortschakoff made a statement reasserting the intention of the Russian Government to initiate extensive internal reforms and adopt a pacific policy.

Germany has promised co-operation in the objects.

THE NEW SOUTH WALES BUSHRANGERS.

A gang of six bushrangers, headed by the notorious Captain Moonlight, stuck up the Wantabadgery station, 25 miles east of Wagga, on the morning of Sunday, November 16th. 19 hawls were bailed up for 10 hours. The manager at first proved intractable, but after receiving several kicks he apologised on his knees, and was sent on the roof to keep watch. When the mailboy (Alexander McDonald) arrived the mailbag was seized, McDonald escaped, bringing the news to Wagga. Four troopers left in pursuit, arriving at daybreak on Monday. The bushrangers were at the station homestead. One came out, refused to surrender, whereupon the police fired. The others of the gang attacked the police, and there was a hot contest for over two hours. The marauders approached the police in a semi-circle, compelling them to retire to a neighboring station, leaving their horses behind. Five policemen from Gundagai reinforced them, and the bushrangers were overtaken about two miles from the station. Another serious engagement followed, and the fight lasted an hour, and was witnessed by a large number of people from the neighboring hills. One bushranger was shot dead by Sergt. Bowen. The rest took shelter, but Bowen succeeded in shooting another dead, being himself seriously wounded in the neck. The third bushranger was wounded in the arm, two others surrendered, and the remaining one escaped. The gang also stuck up a store at Clarendon, robbing the mail. Two constables had their horses shot under them. Mr Bridge, a squatter, and two assistants, when trying to join the police, were stuck up by the gang. Bridge was compelled by the leader to shoot his valuable horse. They were then "court-martialed," by the gang, and allowed five minutes to live. Fortunately, the attacking force arrived before the sentence was executed.

How to Judge a Town.

About a week ago a gentleman from Tennessee, representing 200,000dols. in search of a location in which to engage in business, gave us a call, and after stating his mission West, asked to look at our paper. We handed him the *Morning Journal*. To our surprise he did not stop to read our newsworthy "pick ups" or our attractive editorial page, but turned at once to our advertising columns and commenced scanning over their space.

"Well," said he, glancing up from the paper, "is that all? Is that the business of this town?"

"Oh, no," said we, "here is the *Tribune* with a few advertisements that do not appear in the *Journal*."

He counted two additional local advertisements in the *Tribune* and again looked up with the remark.

"And that's all, is it? Why you haven't got near as much of a town here as I thought you had."

And then we explained to him that we had a good many business men who did not advertise. "They are not business men if they don't advertise," was his answer.

We could not contradict him, and we were powerless to vindicate the claims of the city.

He left us, saying if he had time he would look around, but thought this was no place for him.

This is one instance and a fact.—*Jeff City Journal*.

VINCENT COUNTY COUNCIL.

The usual two-monthly meeting of the Council was held on Wednesday, the 26th inst., in the Council Chamber, Clyde. There were present—Messrs Jolly (Chairman), Naylor, Pitches, Colclough, Fraser, M'Ginnis, and Masters.

The minutes of the previous ordinary meeting were read and confirmed. Schedules of inward and outward correspondence were read.

The bendersmen for the contractor for the Clyde bridge (Messrs W. Grant and John Richards) were approved of.

A letter from Mr Blood, on behalf of Mr Drummy, requesting immediate payment of money said to be due on account of extras to Macandrew bridge, was ordered to be received.

A letter from the Government, re the County being proclaimed a Rabbit District, was received.

A report showing the traffic on ferries and punts was laid on the table.

A return of moneys paid during the two months, together with the names of persons certifying to same, was laid on the table.

The Engineer's report on contracts was read, and, with a few alterations, adopted.

The Engineer's report on roads was adopted as amended.

The Engineer's report on bridges was read and adopted.

The report on ferries and punts was read, and ordered to be considered in committee.

The report of rate collector, ranger, and valuer, was read and adopted.

The Council then adjourned till 7.30.

On resuming, a list of persons who have not paid their rates was laid on the table.

A statement of receipts and expenditure for the past two months was read.

The Chairman intimated that a copy of agreement between the Carrick Range Water Race Company and the Council had been received.—It was resolved that the Company be informed that the matter must stand over until Government had transferred the title to the County; also that the clerk be instructed to hand the agreement to the County solicitor, for the purpose of ascertaining whether the same be a proper legal document, so that no delay take place on receipt of title from the Government.

Resolved that standing orders be suspended, in order that the items on Order Paper be considered.

The Chairman stated that the first business was the election of Chairman for the ensuing year.

Cr Pitches had not the consent of the gentleman he was about to propose, but he had no doubt he would consent. They all knew to whom he referred, and he need not dilate on the ability displayed by that gentleman in carrying out the duties of the office. He moved the re-election of their late Chairman, Mr Vincent Pyke.

Cr Masters seconded the motion, and spoke in high terms of the manner in which the business of the Council had hitherto been conducted.

Cr Colclough had no doubt as to Mr Pyke's efficiency as a chairman. He disagreed with Mr Pyke on many points, but he did not think they could elect a better man. He only hoped Mr Pyke, if elected, would follow the example of other County Chairmen, and do his best to curtail the expenses, and that he would commence by voluntarily reducing his own salary. He supported Mr Pyke's re-election.

Cr Fraser also spoke in favor of the re-election of Mr Pyke, and endorsed the remarks of the former speakers. He urged that the Council had been most reckless in its expenditure during the past year.—Motion carried.

Cr Colclough said the resolution of the last meeting re chairman's salary was *ultra vires*, and urged that the chairman's salary for the ensuing year should now be considered.

A very desultory discussion took place, and the Chairman ruled that the question was out of order, the salary having been fixed at last meeting. The subject then dropped.

Cr Fraser moved:—"That the financial state of the County be considered, as regards the revenue for the ensuing twelve months proving sufficient to meet the requirements of works in course of construction and already voted, also the maintenance of roads, bridges, and ferries, without having recourse to borrowing." He made a few remarks in support of the motion.

A long discussion then ensued on this question, in which all the Councillors took part, and which took up the whole of the evening. No decision had been arrived at when, at a late hour, they adjourned till 10 a.m. next day.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27.

On resuming at 10.30 a.m., consideration of Cr Fraser's motion was continued.

A brief discussion took place, after which

Cr M'Ginnis moved:—"That a committee consisting of Messrs Jolly, Colclough, Naylor and M'Ginnis be appointed to enquire into the finances of the County, and see if some reductions can be made in salaries and expenditure, the Chairman to be convener of meeting, and to report to next meeting of Council."—Cr Masters seconded.

The amendment was carried.

Cr M'Ginnis moved:—"That the bridge over the Earnsclough River, on the main road, which was passed last year and ordered to stand over through the flood, be proceeded with." He would not have brought this motion forward only the work was one that must be done. It had been passed last year; the road was interrupted by a dam, and as sections would probably soon be taken up and fenced in, he would like an assurance that the work would be proceeded with in a reasonable time. It had already been sanctioned, and would not cost above £200.

Cr Naylor seconded the motion, but thought the work would not be needed for the next 12 months.

Cr Pitches opposed it on the ground that the finances would not admit of it. Crs Colclough and Fraser also opposed it for the same reason.

Cr M'Ginnis replied, and asked permission of the Council to withdraw the motion, which was granted.

Cr M'Ginnis, in view of the Committee appointed to consider the finances of the County, asked leave to withdraw the motion standing in his name.—Agreed to.

Cr Colclough took the chair, and

Cr Jolly moved:—"That the road leading to settlers' homesteads in the vicinity of the Lowburn, now rendered useless by reason of parties fencing in their freehold property, be restored, at a cost not to exceed £50 sterling." He had had a memorial presented to him on the subject, but it had been accidentally left behind. The work was urgently needed. The road had been entirely cut off by fencing right across the road, and unless a portion of the road was diverted and repaired the loss and inconvenience to the settlers would be very serious.

Cr Fraser seconded the motion. He thought the work should be gone on with, as it was very much needed.

Cr Colclough supported the motion.

Cr M'Ginnis opposed it, and moved as an amendment:—"That the matter be referred to the Engineer to report on, and that if the work be urgent the Engineer be instructed to proceed with same."

Crs Pitches and Fraser supported the amendment.

The amendment was carried.

Cr Colclough moved the suspension of Standing Orders, and the Council then went into committee for considering tenders.

On resuming, the following report was read and adopted:—"That the tenders as follows be accepted: Contract 64, D. Cockburn; 65, W. Davis; 67, T. Hayes; 68, —; 69, T. M'Nulty; 70, P. Baine; 71, J. Glass; 72, T. Jackson. That contract 66 be divided into sections, and that Crs Jolly and Colclough be authorised to call for and accept tenders for the same, and that fresh tenders be called for contract No. 63."

Cr Colclough said he desired to withdraw the strictures he had made at an earlier stage of the meeting on the Collector relative to the collection of rates, as he had since ascertained that the Collector's time had been so occupied to preclude his attention to this particular duty.—Leave granted.

Cr Colclough asked if the Engineer had reported as requested on the unauthorised expenditure.—The report was laid on table, read, and considered satisfactory.

Cr M'Ginnis was astonished that Cr Colclough should have referred to this matter, as one of the items was for keeping clean the Cromwell bridge, and considering that the County had taken the whole responsibility of the bridge off the Cromwell Municipality's hands, the very least that body could do would be to keep the bridge clean and thus relieve the County of that expense.

In reply to a question by Cr Fraser, the Engineer stated that extra men had from time to time been put on the roads to do the necessary repairs that the maintenance men could not possibly attend to.

A somewhat desultory, yet animated, discussion ensued on the question of keeping maintenance men on the roads. Some councillors argued they were not required, others again advocating in the spirit of retrenchment that though the men were required their wages should be cut down. It was however agreed upon that the system of maintenance men was good, and that to reduce their wages would be bad policy. Eventually it was decided that the present system of employing maintenance men on the roads Clyde to Cromwell, Cromwell to Kirtleburn, and Alexandra to the County boundary, subject to the approval of the Engineer, be continued to the end of the present financial year, 31st March, 1880.

Accounts amounting to £67 16s 10d, for printing, advertising, and incidentals were passed for payment.

The following schedule of votes required by the Engineer for the months of December and January was passed:—

Tinkers and Drybread to Lauder	£	s.	d.
Creek	60	0	0
Spring Vale to Rough Ridge	30	0	0
Road past Leask's, Ophir	30	0	0

The sub-Treasurer's report of petty cash was read and approved, and the sum of £15 was voted for future expenditure.

An account for £20 by Mr J. Perriam for repairing road near his homestead was brought up for consideration. Cr Colclough opposed, and the matter dropped.

Cr Fraser asked for leave to propose, without notice of motion, that £10 be expended on road—Albert Town to Fork farm.

Cr Colclough objected. Leave refused.

On the motion of Cr Fraser, the Engineer was instructed to put a stern rope to the punt at Albert Town.

Cr M'Ginnis said that as most of the men were knocked off work on the roads, and but few general works under way, the services of Inspectors were not further required, and proposed that the services of Mr Harvey, as road inspector, be dispensed with,—one month's notice to be given. Mr Colclough seconded.

Cr Fraser proposed, and Cr Naylor seconded as an amendment:—"That the word 'not' be inserted."

Cr Colclough contended that a negative was no amendment, and said it could not be put.

A most unruly scene now resulted, during which the Chairman left the chair and the Chamber. Crs Colclough and M'Ginnis afterwards left their seats.—Cr Jolly again resumed the chair, and the amendment being withdrawn by consent, and the motion allowed to lapse, the meeting separated.

Two twin children of James Dowling Penny, a waiter at the Somerset Hotel, Ashburton, were found dead in bed on Saturday week. They slept in a cot in the same bedroom as their parents, and before being put to bed on Friday night at 11 o'clock they were fed on milk and bread, and to one of them some aniseed was given as medicine. When their mother looked four hours afterwards they were both dead.

ARROWTOWN.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

December 1.

The incidents of the eventful week just closed are: A cake from the Tip., the statutory meeting of the County Council, the Mayoral Election, a race meeting, and a "cooky shine."

The cake from the Tipperary weighed over 803ozs, and was the pleasing and surprising result of 530 tons of stone, giving a fraction over 1oz 10dwts to the ton. Considering that the reef is from 9ft to 12ft in width, and that all the stuff cast by the working of the reef has been put through the mill, the immense value of the property will become apparent. This kind of "testimony of the rocks" needs no elucidation, and requires only to be translated into pounds sterling to be comprehended by the dullest intellect.

The statutory meeting of County Council was a stormy one, and came off in the most approved style of Parliamentary usage and language, for which the present age is remarkable. The Councillors were somewhat surprised when, at the eleventh hour, Mr Daniel allowed himself to be nominated for the vacant honor. Nevertheless the result proved that the Councillors endorsed his decision as a wise one, five voting for Mr Daniel and three for Mr Edgar, the ex-Chairman, who refrained from voting. Mr Edgar has acquitted himself during his term of office with great credit, and displayed much tact and judgment in the management of County affairs. In Mr Daniel, the County has secured the services of a man of shrewd business habits, and great practical experience, at whose hands the affairs of the County will, no doubt, receive every attention. At the same meeting the fate of the Pembroke slaughter-yard, about which such a row has been kicked up in THE CROMWELL ARGUS, was, at least for the time being, decided by granting a license to Mr Kerin. However, it cannot be said that the question of the effect the slaughter-yard may or may not have upon the health of the residents of Pembroke has been settled or even considered by the councillors—in fact, in justice to Mr M'Dougall, it must be said that the question has not been decided upon its merits. A notice of motion was tabled by Mr M'Dougall to hold in future the meetings at Arrowtown, as being more centrally situated.

The mayoral election at Arrowtown created quite a stir, though on a small scale. The position of the candidates assigned them by the voices of the ratepayers is as follows:

W. Jenkins	...	21
H. Graham	...	13
E. Gräber (late mayor)	...	11

Mr Jenkins has for some time back identified himself with many of our public movements, and always shown a keen interest in anything affecting the welfare of the town and district. The defeat of the ex-mayor is somewhat difficult to explain, except that the merging question, which Mr Graham advocated, be considered as the reason for his ranking second on the list.

The soiree and tea-meeting in aid of the Presbyterian Church Harmonium Fund was a success, as all entertainments got up in Arrowtown invariably are. The tea tables were furnished in a lavish and luxurious style, and consequently this part of the entertainment gave universal satisfaction. The speeches were much appreciated. The Rev. Mr Ross presided. Mr Ross is no exception to the rule, which says that "out of the fulness of the heart the mouth speaketh," and, as is generally the case with him, it spoke well. The Rev. J. Paterson, of St. John's Church, Invercargill, gave a short address on "Christian Manliness," after having paid a handsome compliment to the district for its scenery and climate, and to the residents for the hospitality and geniality with which they had received and entertained him. The other speakers were Messrs T. Johnston, E. Sandford and Adair. The addresses were interspersed with songs and instrumental music, which were loudly applauded. This part of the entertainment suffered, however, by the absence of the grand new organ, which was expected to be tested on the occasion—in fact, the only solo song of the evening, by Mr Barlow, was almost marred by the faulty instrument which was pressed into service, though it was presided over by one of our most accomplished musicians. The entertainment passed off, however, satisfactorily, and I hear that is likely to produce nearly £30 nett.

After several futile attempts to organise a committee to arrange for and carry out a racing and sporting programme for the ensuing Christmas holidays, those interested succeeded to appoint a number of gentlemen to take the business in hand, so that we may look forward to the usual bill of fare provided on such occasions.

I see by a late issue of your paper that the introduction of the deferred payment system into your district has proved an abortion, and do not wonder at it. The whole of the Wakatipu district was taken up under the agricultural lease regulations, which have proved themselves quite adequate to the requirements of settlers, and the selectors of deferred payment blocks on the Crown Terrace pronounce against both the high price and circumlocution entailed by the deferred system.

We (*Morning Herald*) have received a letter from a correspondent, in which he states that a police constable up country was recently dismissed for refusing to brush his superior's coat. As he further states that the matter will be brought up in Parliament, it will be well to await its advent there, rather than publish an improbable *ex parte* statement.

Original Correspondence.

[We do not identify ourselves with the opinions expressed by correspondents.]

THE BLACKS SCHOOL.

To the Editor of THE CROMWELL ARGUS.

SIR,—The Blacks correspondent of the *Tuapeka Times* and *Mount Ida Chronicle* having stated that the Blacks school was in so bad a state that one parent had to remove his children and send them a distance of eight miles to another school, and it being well known that the parents of these children and the correspondent only count two, I sent a letter to the *Dunstan Times* questioning the right of such a circumstance being promulgated to the discredit of this school; seeing that none of the said family had attended Blacks school for two full months. My letter brought forth a reply, to which I sent an answer, which was to be final on my part. The *Dunstan Times* editor, in slang terms, refused insertion. The action of the correspondent was undeniably mean to thus stigmatize any teacher who is a public servant, and who is debarred the privilege of defending himself; whereas if he had a grievance and a good cause other means are open to him for redress. On many other occasions the same parties have been guilty of like actions with other schoolmasters and schools. No language can be too strong to denounce such a practice, and if the subject be, as the *Times* states, not of "general interest," it has, at least, justice on its side, and I ask you to take up the cause of the injured, and insert my letter in your columns, which is as follows:—It is a bad case that requires to be supported by falsehood and sophistry in lack of good sound arguments, and "Mother" has certainly come out strong in these. First she states I took offence at the removal of her children from this to Matakauhi school, whereas I only questioned the fairness of the same being circulated in journals to the discredit of this school. As for the act itself, no words can express my gratitude and that of many others. Then again, "Mother" puts her own construction on my assertion, that I could produce children educated here better advanced than hers. I made no comparison of the school generally, though I have not the least doubt that the school can hold its own. "Mother" not having yet inspected Blacks school, she must have been using the means of gaining her information the iniquity of which I pointed out in a former letter, viz, encouraging her offspring in carrying her tales of school gossip. I still maintain my challenge, with far more grounds now than when given, and if there should be isolated cases of backwardness in the school as well as "Mother" admits to be the case with her family, if the real causes were traced, both teacher and children possibly are blameless and the rod with more justice should be applied to "Mother." Can anything but a malignant construction be put upon such an argument as this, or how can common sense reconcile it as being a justification of the action of which I complain. "That the Blacks school is a disgrace to white men is no fault of the present teacher as he has only been there a short time, but is owing in a great measure to the eccentric interference of 'Mother-in-law,' as he used his influence lately in removing a certificated teacher of 12 years experience from Blacks school and now rushes into print to defend an uncertificated one of no experience." What consistency in an argument which declares the fault of the school is not with the present teacher but in some action causing the removal of a better man nearly two years ago! If no fault be attributable to the present teacher why circulate damaging reports of the school throughout the journals of the country, evidently intended to tell against him? What more bitter malice could be displayed than to seek to injure an innocent man, and try to rob him of his daily bread?

Ah, "Mother" dear! yours is a threadbare cloak. Schoolmasters and schools must of necessity come under your lash. The present Chairman of the Schoolmasters' Association in Dunedin, the Under-Secretary of the Education Board, and the far-famed school over which they at one time presided have felt your baneful influence—and how can an unpretentious school like ours escape? Reflections on the action of "Mother-in-law" I pass over—they are foreign to the subject. No single individual ever received a rebuke from Inspector Petrie. If it refers to a rebuke sent by him to the Committee of the day, and had it been well merited, Mr Petrie would not on explanation so readily have withdrawn it. Respecting the resignation and election of committee members, what is said is simply falsehood. A committee for years in office at the expiration of their term desired release, and none of them or other householders would signify their assent to be elected but one; and why did he do so? Simply to keep the management of the school in the hands of the people, and not leave it open for any adventurer to apply and be made a paid commissioner. The insult cast upon six out of seven of the subsequently-elected committee only exposes the character and ignorance of the source from which it arose.

Mr Editor, I have done, and I thank you. I have clearly shown that the broadcast defamations against Blacks school have no justifiable foundation, and are purely the effect of a virulent malady—the school passing scatheless through the ordeal. An uncertificated teacher is no proof of incompetency, and it is what can be always remedied; but the dreadful mania which originated the correspondence is beyond the power of mortals to cure.

Afflicted sister, farewell! You are welcome to the benefit of the last word which we both know is an inherent quality in our sex, and pure sympathy for your sufferings makes me waive my claim.—I am, &c.,

MOTHER-IN-LAW.

According to a Press Agency telegram, it is understood that an attempt will be made by the Ministerial party to reduce all Civil service salaries above £200 a year by 5 per cent., and Ministerial salaries by 10 per cent. It is intended to abolish all subsidies, except to poor and scattered districts, which are to be aided according to requirements. It is also reported among the Opposition that another want-of-confidence motion will be brought on attacking the Government on the tariff proposals.

PROVINCIAL AND COLONIAL.

The Sydney Exhibition has been visited by over 300,000 people.

A man named M' Rae, working at Mullocky Gully, was killed by a fall of earth on Monday week.

The New Zealand racehorses Le Loup and Trump Card have returned to this colony from Victoria.

The question of obtaining a residence for the Governor in Dunedin is said to be under consideration of the Ministry.

Sawarow won £2,215 at the Melbourne Meeting, being the largest amount yet won in prizes; Palmyra, 2,035; Darriwell, £1,645.

Parliament declined to endorse Mr Finn's motion—"That the House resolve itself into committee of the whole to consider a respectful address to be presented to the Governor, praying that his Excellency will cause a sum of £100,000 to be placed on the Estimates for the purpose of encouraging gold-mining industries within the colony of New Zealand."

A case of Gardner v. Gardner at the Supreme Court, Melbourne has been heard. Gardner carried on a furrier's business, but separated some years ago from his wife in consequence of suspecting she had committed adultery with the Duke of Edinburgh, who was a large customer when in the colonies. The husband alleges that his wife had a child by the Duke.

Sir Julius Vogel's candidature for Falmouth is hotly opposed by the *Western Daily Mercury*, which declares, in concluding a very bitter article on Sir Julius' connection with the New Zealand Agricultural Company, that he "will receive on polling day such a defeat at the hands of the electors of Falmouth as will ring from John-o-Groats to Land's End and from Land's End to New Zealand."

One of the largest cricket scores made on the Hagley Park ground, Canterbury, was put together last week in a match between the Ashley County and the club known as the Wanderers. The latter scored 311, of which Arthur M. Ollivier, the well-known cricketer, made 141. The first wicket did not fall till 226 were on the board, and Ollivier and W. Milton were in together five hours getting them.

The *South Australian Register* says that Port Darwin is the key to the colonies; its geographical position, its magnificent harbor, and all its natural advantages, must make it so. All down Cavanagh-street Chinese stores and houses are erected, proving that the Chinese are not a mere floating population, but are settling down not only as storekeepers and general tradesmen, but also as very good gardeners.

Mrs Major Croker is in luck. She was brought up at the Thames Police Court some time ago charged by her husband with being a lunatic. One medical man certified that the lady was of unsound mind, while the others certified that she was sane, and she was in consequence discharged from custody. We find now that this happy—if notorious—pair has gone to England on "urgent private affairs," and Auckland holders of orders "out of first funds" are jubilant. Mrs Croker is coming into possession of £30,000, with possible reversions which may bring the figure up to £100,000. Truly, "Truth is stranger than Fiction."

One of the saddest sights in Bourke-street just now (writes a Melbourne correspondent) is the presence there late at night, when all the evil is abroad, of a woman who a few years ago was a guest at Government House, and who bears a title. The lady and her husband were of high family, and for a time lived in the sort of "society" we have here. Drink took possession of both, and the result was a fall of the most extraordinary rapid character. And now in the midst of the most depraved, seeking the bread of shame, is to be seen this hereditarily noble lady. Pitiful! Ere many years she will fill a pauper's grave, dying unknown to her titled relatives.

The first horse-race was held in Melbourne at Batman's Hill in 1839. The population of the whole colony was then about 500, and the whole crowd turned out to see the Squatter's Purse and Town Plate run for; on which occasion, in connection with many other interesting events, Mrs Grubb, the original owner of Petrol, herself turning the scale at 14 stone, raced her husband for a bottle of rum. Now Victoria has a population of 800,000. The Flemington racecourse is pronounced equal to any in the world. Time as fast as any on record has been made there, and the Melbourne races are looked upon as one of the principal (if not the chief) racing events in the Southern Hemisphere.

The Wellington correspondent of the *Lytelton Times* telegraphs:—A new political party has been formed, calling themselves "The Young New Zealand Party." It is neither to include any Minister nor ex-Minister, nor any rats, nor those who have been guilty of any dishonorable political conduct. They have pledged themselves to vote *en bloc*, but will refrain from taking any action until next session. The following members have definitely joined the party:—Messrs George, Hamlin, Harris, London, McDonald, Speight, Tole, Levin, Allwright, Fisher, Reeves, Andrews, Turnbull, Reid, Seddon, Brown, Hislop, Ireland, Shrimski, Shanks and Finn. De Lautour is the leader *pro tem*. They decline to be led by any of the old fogies. They are going for new blood, and men who will acquire their experiences by intuition. They have already rough-drafted a sort of platform, and rules and regulations to guide their future action. This is Grey's political death-knell.

A meeting of 10,000 Catholics at Sydney unanimously carried resolutions that Sir H. Parkes' Education Bill was inimical to Roman Catholics, and pledged co-operation in opposition to the measure.

There are now five emigration agents employed in Great Britain—Mr Holloway, at £150 a year; Mr G. M. Reed, at £600; Mr Clayden, at £250; Mr Bathgate, at £350; and the Rev. J. Berry, at £300.

Australian statistics recently issued show that Victoria's trade is decreasing; that population has only increased 11 per cent. in six years, while that of New South Wales has risen 24, and that of South Australia, 25 per cent. in the same period.

Three little boys, brothers, whose ages averaged under 10 years, were recently found guilty at the Christchurch police court of five charges of larceny from storekeepers, and sentenced to three days' imprisonment, with a dozen stripes of the cat-o-nine-tails.

THE GARDEN.

Kitchen Garden.—The benefits arising from mulching the surface of the soil around growing crops are not generally understood. The system is extensively carried out in England, where the necessity is not so great as here, owing to the rapid evaporation of moisture by dry winds. Of all the drawbacks vegetation is liable to, want of moisture is the worst, as a vegetable once deprived of it may be pulled up and thrown to the rubbish heap for all the good it will do afterwards. The materials used for mulching are short grass, old tan, rotten dung, half spent linings from hot beds, in fact any short litter will answer the purpose. The best mulching, and one that never looks untidy, is the old material from a hot-bed which has been passed through a half inch riddle. This will not only keep the surface cool and moist, but act as a fertiliser as well. Give strawberry beds a good three-inch covering of this, and the weight of the crop will be increased enormously. Strawberries are too frequently planted under the shade of trees; they crop in such situations it is true, but the fruit is deficient in flavor. Finish planting out cabbages, broccoli, cauliflower and savoy, as soon as possible. Very little of this kind of work can be done next month. Sow turnip, radish, lettuce, and other saladings, in succession.

Flower Garden.—All danger from frost being now over, half-hardy and tender plants should be placed out without delay, lifted with as much earth as possible, and transferred to the beds. If the beds have been newly-dug, the plants should be put in a little deeper than usual, as the soil will sink. In all cases in planting bedding stuff the plants should be put in deeper than they were in the cutting pans, as it prevents them being blown about by the wind, and enables them to be pegged down to the surface more readily. Petunias, verbenas, and phlox Drummondii especially should be so treated, as they make long straggling shoots, which are easily blown off. Transplant asters on a piece of the richest ground; lift the plants carefully, and shade for a day or two.

Vines are now making rapid growth. Remove all lateral shoots as they are formed, and endeavor to throw all the strength into the bunches by encouraging the main leaves on the fruit-bearing spur.

To preserve the bloom of cut flowers use rain water as far as possible, and change the water every alternate day. Before arranging the flowers in the glass or flower-stand, trim the ends of the stalks with a sharp knife, so as to make a clean cut. To guard against a possibility of any unpleasant smell, and for other reasons—seeing that water is an absorbent of noxious gases—if the flowers be intended for a close, thick chamber, let the water be changed every day; by this means any unpleasant smells will be avoided. Camphor has been suggested as a disinfectant and at the same time as a material likely to prolong the beauty of the flowers. Salt has also been used; but though it may not hurt some flowers, there are others which will be injured by it. In flower-stands where sand is used, and must necessarily remain for some time, mix with the sand one-eighth part in bulk of small pieces of charcoal, broken about the size of peas; this will keep it sweet for weeks.

The West of England Bank.

After an investigation which lasted for nine entire days, the case for the prosecution against the manager and directors of the West of England Bank has been brought to a close. The story is a sad one, and extends over many years, but its main features are sufficiently simple. The West of England Bank was started in 1835 with an available capital of half a million of money. Its original directors were men of considerable position and influence both in Bristol and in South Wales, and for many years the bank did a large and lucrative business. It was believed to be as solvent as the House of Rothschilds or the Bank of England itself. Its shares brought a high premium; its dividends were large; its operations continued to extend. When or how its downward course first began it would now be difficult to say. It is clear, however, that 10 years ago at least, if not earlier, there were upon the books of the bank several very heavy bad debts, which ought, by all ordinary rules of business, to have been written off. The largest of these commenced as far back as 1855, when the bank took over the banking business of Messrs Toogood, of Cardiff. Among the customers of the Toogoods were the Messrs Booker and Co., a large South Wales firm, believed to be highly prosperous, but in reality insolvent. Booker and Co. soon became indebted to the West of England Bank in a very large sum, and year by year the balance against them increased. The directors seem to have been afraid to boldly avow the existence of a loss so large, and to have determined, at any cost, to keep Booker and Co. afloat. This resolve once taken, losses accumulated day by day until the position became desperate, and in 1867 half a million of money had been swallowed up. In spite of this fact, the insolvent business was converted into

a joint-stock company under the auspices of the bank, and the public was invited to take shares in it. Such a course of conduct could have but one possible end. When the crash came at last the bank had utterly lost all that it ever had. It had spent everything, even to its paid-up capital of £750,000. It had spent the whole of its reserve fund, amounting to £150,000. Its deficiency beyond this, due to investors and depositors, was over £300,000. In round figures, in short, a million and a quarter of money had been irretrievably swallowed up. And yet, almost down to the hour of its suspension, its published accounts and balance-sheets had shown large dividends and rich bonuses, which we know could not possibly have been earned. The directors have been committed for trial.

Wounds in Modern Warfare.

Some interesting evidence (says the *Daily News*) as to the character of modern fighting is supplied by a recently published volume, the report of the Stafford House committee on their operations in the late Russo-Turkish war. Besides a "record of operations," the book contains some general reports on surgical matters by the chief surgeons employed. In these there is to be found nearly unanimous testimony, first as to the comparative fewness of wounds from the "white arm," as swords, bayonets, lances, and such like weapons are collectively termed in French military language. The second point of interest is the greater ease with which such wounds healed when they were not at once fatal. Sword wounds were more numerous in the latter part of the war than in the earlier, says Mr Barker, and they usually healed easily. Bayonet wounds were much rarer. "Among thousands of wounded men," says Dr Pinkerton, "I did not see more than half-a-dozen suffering from sabre, lance, or bayonet wounds." And he adds that the experience of others whom he questioned was the same. "The number of bayonet wounds coming under observation was exceedingly small," says Mr MacKellar, and though sabre wounds were more frequent in this gentleman's experience, they were chiefly due to wanton attacks on non-combatants, not to fair

fighting. The fact seems to be that not only is actual hand-to-hand fighting very rare in modern warfare, but that modern weapons are very ill-adapted for it. The lance requires elbow-room and very adroit management; the sabre needs very great bodily strength, and not a little skill, to make it effective; the bayonet is "a most clumsy weapon." The bowie knife and the short Ghorka dagger are, thinks Dr Pinkerton, much more effective than any of our cutting arms. On the other hand, the modern rifle bullet is allowed to be a terrible weapon in its effects, even where it does not kill, and the wounds it inflicts seem to be much more serious than those of the old spherical ball.

The serious depression which has so long existed in every industry throughout this district has not been lost sight of by W. TALBOYS, who happily has been in a position to mitigate the evil to some extent by selling his Drapery and other Stock at prices lower than ever. By judicious cash purchases while the market was favorable, the proprietor of London House secured large stocks of splendid goods for spring and summer wear, and which he is enabled to dispose of at prices never before known in Cromwell. Every article of its kind is good and substantial, and will be found full value. Call and inspect before purchasing.

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TO BE HELD ON

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JUDGE: Mr. D. A. JOLLY.

STARTER: Mr. JAMES DAWKINS.

CLERK OF COURSE: Mr. JAMES SMITH.

PROGRAMME:

FIRST DAY: FRIDAY.

To start at 1.30 p.m. punctually.

GRAND STAND HANDICAP, of 30 sovs. Distance, one mile and a-half. Nominations, 21s; acceptances, 21s.

HACK RACE, of 10 sovs. For *bona fide* hacks that have never won an advertised prize of over 10 sovs. Distance, one mile. Entrance, 15s. No weight less than 9st. Post entry.

CROMWELL DERBY: a sweepstake of 5 sovs each, 2 sovs forfeit, with 50 sovs added by the Club. For three-year-olds bred in Vincent and Lake Counties. Derby weights—Colts, 8st 10lb; Fillies, 8st 5lb. No allowance for geldings. Second horse to receive 20 per cent. of the stakes, and the third to save his stake. Distance, one mile and a-half. (20 subs.)

FLYING HANDICAP, of 20 sovs. Distance, three-quarters of a mile. Nominations, 20s; acceptances, 10s.

SELLING STAKES, of 20 sovs. Distance, three-quarters of a mile heats. No weight less than 9st. Entrance, 30s. Winner to be sold for 15 sovs. Surplus, if any, to go to the Race Fund.

SECOND DAY: SATURDAY.

To start at 1.30 p.m. punctually.

MAIDEN PLATE, of 25 sovs. For all horses that have never won an advertised prize of over 10 sovs. Weight for age. Distance, one mile and a-half. Entrance, 30s.

SHORTS, of 10 sovs. For *bona fide* hacks. Distance, half-a-mile heats, without dismounting. Entrance, 15s. No weight less than 9st. Post entry.

JOCKEY CLUB HANDICAP, of 40 sovs. Nomination, 42s; acceptance, 21s. Distance, two miles.

HOSPITAL RACE, for a prize to be handed over to the Cromwell Hospital. Rider of the winning horse to be presented with a whip. Entry, 2s 6d.

COUNTY PLATE, of 30 sovs. Entrance 42s. Weight for age. Distance, one mile and a-half. The winner to be sold (with his engagements) by public auction immediately after the race, and any surplus to go to the Race Fund. Winner to be sold for £50. If entered to be sold for £40, allowed 14lbs; for £30 allowed 28lbs; for £20 allowed 42lbs; for £10, allowed 56lbs.

CONSOLATION HANDICAP, of 15 sovs. For all beaten horses. Entrance, 20s. Distance, one mile.

Forfeit in the Cromwell Derby to be declared to the Secretary on or before 8 p.m., Saturday, 8th November, or the nominator will be liable for the whole stake, and balance of sweep (£3) must be made good on night of general entry—Tuesday, 23rd December.

Nominations for the Grand Stand and Flying Handicaps to be received by the Secretary not later than 8 p.m. on Friday, the 12th December. Weights to be declared in THE CROMWELL ARGUS of the 16th.

Acceptances to be sent in on or before the night of general entry—Tuesday, 23rd December.

Nominations for the Jockey Club Handicap to be made on the night of general entry—Tuesday, 23rd December; weights to be declared on the evening of Friday, 26th December; acceptances to be sent in not later than 10 a.m. on Saturday, the 27th.

General entries will be received up till 8 p.m. on Tuesday, December 23rd.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

Mares will be allowed 5lbs, and geldings 3lbs.

No entries to be received for any of the above races except on this condition: That all disputes, claims and objections arising out of the racing shall be decided by the Stewards, or whom they may appoint. Their decision upon all points connected with the carrying out of the programme shall be final.

No qualification fee payable.

Entries will be received by the Secretary before 8 p.m. on Tuesday, the 23rd December, entrance money enclosed, with name, age and pedigree (if any) of the horse, name of the owner and colors of the rider.

Horses to be handicapped by the Stewards, or whom they may appoint.

Any jockey riding except in the colors entered will be fined £2.

Five per cent. will be deducted from the gross amount of all stakes for expenses.

Horses walking over will receive 50 per cent. of the stakes.

The Cromwell Jockey Club Rules will be strictly enforced. Any person entering a protest must deposit £2, and should such be deemed frivolous by the Stewards, the amount will be forfeited.

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And, departing, leave behind us
Footprints on the sands of time."

THE above is read with great interest by thousands of young men. It inspires them with HOPE; for, in the bright lexicon of youth, there is no such word as fail. Alas! say many, this is correct—is true with regard to the youth who has never abused his strength and to the man who has not been "passion's slave."

But to that youth, to that man—who has wasted his vigor, who has yielded himself up to the temporary sweet allurements of vice, who has given unbridled license to his passions—to him the above lines are but as a reproach: What HOPE can he have? What aspirations? What chance of leaving his footprints on the sands of time? For him, alas! there is nought but dark despair and self-reproach for a lost life.

For a man to leave his footprints on the sands of time he must be endowed with a strong brain and nervous power. He must possess a sound, vigorous, healthy mind in a healthy body—the power to conceive, the energy to execute! But look at our Australian youth! See the emaciated form, the vacant look, the listless hesitating manner, the nervous distrust, the senseless, almost idiotic expression. Note his demeanour and conversation, and then say, Is that a man to leave his footprints on the sands of time?

Do parents, medical men and educators of youth pay sufficient attention to this subject? Do they ever ascertain the cause of this decay; and having done so, do they (as a strict sense of duty demands) seek the skilled advice of the medical man, who has made this branch of his profession his particular speciality, whose life has been devoted to the treatment of these cases? Reader, what is your answer? Let each one answer for himself. Parents see their progeny fading gradually before their sight; see them become emaciated old young men, broken down in health, enfeebled, unfitted for the battle of life. Yet one word might save them, one sound and vigorous health-giving letter from a medical man, habituated to the treatment and continuous supervision of such cases, would, in most instances, succeed in warding off the impending doom of a miserable and gloomy future, and, by appropriate treatment, restore the enervated system to its natural vigor, and ensure a joyous and happy life.

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